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THE OLD VETERANS

J. ED MURRAY CAMP ADOPTS RESOLUTIONS ON DEATH OF GEN. GORDON.

They Pay a Beautiful Tribute to the Gallant Old Soldier, Statesman and Citizen.

MEMORIAL SERVICES TODAY

Pursuant to a call from Captain B. E. Benton the J. Ed Murray camp, United Confederate Veterans, met last night at the courthouse. Captain Benton was compelled to be absent, and Maj. H. A. McCoy was elected commander pro tem. There were present Comrades Bridges, McLaughly, N. R. Rogers, Stengel, Foley, DeWoody, Clary, Vance, J. T. Knox, Jordan, Green, Newman and Bradbury.

Prof. Junius Jordan for the committee appointed to prepare resolutions on the death of General John B. Gordon then read the resolutions as follows:

The old Confederate Veterans and their families are at the grave of the second Robert E. Lee; for what Lee was to the army of North Virginia, General John B. Gordon was to the United Confederate Veterans, soldier, patriot, citizen, Christian, fulfilling to the standard measure, all the duties of life, he has gone, in good old age, to join his comrades where the great waves of eternity break on an unknown shore.

The small army of gray clad veterans pause on the rapidly closing march of life and sink upon the earth to rest and mingle their tears with the dew of the night which kind skies seem to sweep upon them in tender and approving sympathy.

It is a time for memory, grief and praise, and these are the uniform sentiments and expressions of veteran soldiers of the Confederate and Federal armies, as well as the new generation of Americans that has come upon the stage of action. In memory, his old comrades hear again, far away through the deep and darkening forests and across the fields and hills, the shouts of victorious columns advancing to the music of battle. Nearer it comes and leader it grows. Grand and grander it rolls along the steel gray lines, from legion to legion it goes and returns, as in the days gone by. From wing to wing, shout after shout pierces the bending skies as the men of Longstreet and Hill send back the responsive chord.

A sudden silence reigns for a moment; the busy wheels of commerce pause; a sad sky bends low; a mournful message hushes the voices of a republic—Gordon is dead. The leader of Stonewall Jackson's incomparable corps; the trusted lieutenant of Lee in the final year of the great drama of the Confederate war for constitutional independence; the beloved leader of the veteran soldiers of the south, has ascended to the ranks of his waiting comrades, away beyond the flash of glories of the stars. A mournful funeral pageant moves to a cemetery in Georgia. Twenty thousand people move reverently to the martial dirge played by federal and by southern bands alike. Confederate veterans lead the way; federal soldiery follow with respectful sympathy. Death has brought out the sublimity of another illustrious southern leader. Tributes of praise and honor from northern as well as from southern hearts vocalize the wires and adorn the columns of the press. Sprightly young soldiers and fair young maidens, of the new generation unite with their veteran ancestors of both armies to honor the name and memory and to praise the meritorious character of Gen. John

B. Gordon.

He was distinguished in every feature of life. He was conspicuous for his military genius, his sublime courage, his refined chivalry, his scope of intellect, his intense sympathy, his devotion to principle and his unswerving maintenance of the righteousness of the southern cause. Gordon was a great man, and of this, his life and conduct were convincing proof. Besides the courage of a soldier and the genius of a leader, he had grasp of intellect, lofty aims, strong will, fixity of purpose and as a crown for all attributes, incorruptible moral purity. No man is great without this.

As a warrior he enjoyed the confidence of Lee and the admiration of friend and foe; as a statesman he won the respect of the loftiest; as an orator the encomiums of all critics; as a splendid specimen of true manhood, he gained the praise and recognition of the people of the re-United States.

He has left not only the youth of the south, but for the republic, a standard of excellence, worthy of a place alongside that of his immortal comrades—Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson.

Realizing the inestimable value to the south of such a character and feeling the great loss that the United Confederate Veterans have suffered, as well as the entire country, the comrades of the J. Ed Murray camp desire to affirm:

1. Their profound sorrow at the death of their illustrious and much loved leader and comrade.

2. Their deep sympathy with the members of his family in this most mournful day of their lives.

3. Their respect and admiration for his remarkable and loving leadership in organizing and keeping enthusiastically alive the memories of the great southern struggle for liberty.

4. Their gratefulness to him for devoting so many years of his life as a citizen to the sublime work of teaching the sentiment of reconciliation between formerly hostile sections and the winning from foes a proper consideration and respectful estimate of the south, its cause and soldiers.

5. That our camp wear a badge of mourning for thirty days and inscribe upon its records a memorial page in honor of our beloved comrade.

6. That copies of these resolutions be sent to his family and be furnished the local papers and the Confederate Veteran for publication.

(Signed)
JUNIOUS JORDAN,
R. M. KNOX,
H. A. C'COY,
N. T. ROBERTS,
J. B. TRULOCK.

At the conclusion of the reading, Comrade DeWoody offered remarks thanking the committee and especially Prof. Jordan for the resolutions.

Memorial Services.

An invitation was extended to the members of the camp to attend the memorial services at the First Methodist church tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. J. M. Hawley tendered the invitation. Special music has been prepared for the occasion and the service will be a notable one. The veterans will attend in a body. On motion the Sons of Veterans and United Daughters of the Confederacy were invited to attend the service. The pastors of the several churches will be asked to adjourn their Sunday night service in order that the congregations might do honor to the illustrious Confederate leader.

On motion a vote of thanks was extended Comrade J. B. Trulock for representing the camp at the funeral of General Gordon.

Commander Mason Philpot last night issued a call to the Sons of Veterans to attend the memorial services in honor of General John B. Gordon at the First Methodist church tonight.

Daughters Pass Resolutions.

The David O. Dodd chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, met last week with Mrs. Will Collier. The

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BALL PARK MATTER JEFF NOT PRESENT

SETTLED BY ADOPTING BELL PARK GAMES OF NEXT SEASON.

Transit Company Demanded an Immediate Decision and They Got It.

SOME FINE SPORT PROMISED

Pine Bluff will have one of the strongest baseball teams in the Cotton States league next season and the games will be played at Bell park, which was the scene of the struggle last year. This fact was definitely determined at a meeting of the baseball directors and representatives of the Citizens' Light and Transit company in W. T. Young's office yesterday afternoon.

For some time past the directors of the baseball association have been trying to get another ball park. Two propositions have been considered—one to locate the park across the river, and another to place it on Sixth avenue and Pine streets, but neither was found to be feasible.

The directors of the baseball association put up a little game of "bluff" in their announcements of dealings for another park and yesterday morning the "bluff" was "called" by the transit company. The association was notified that if they did not accept the proposition to use Bell park and accept it at once they would not have a chance to accept it at all. The proposition was accepted.

Yesterday afternoon a hurried meeting of the executive committee was called and the matter was discussed at length. Mr. W. H. Langford represented the transit company and an agreement was finally reached whereby Bell park will be the scene of next summer's battles on the diamond. It did not take long to reach the agreement either.

The Citizens' Light and Transit company agrees to provide ample means for transportation of the ball patrons to and from the park and the directors agree to furnish a first-class team.

Harry Clayton will go to Little Rock Monday on the lookout for new players and the prospects for a very successful season were never brighter.

THINKS LIBERTY IN DANGER

President Elliot Says Modern Democracy Is Wrong.

New York, Jan. 16.—In an address at a club reception in Brooklyn President Elliot of Harvard University has reiterated his recent declaration that modern democracy, in the sense that the majority, right or wrong, should rule, and labor unions and associations of employers as now constituted are dangerous to liberty.

Tracing the growth of the universities, he told how the students in the continental universities had wrested freedom from European absolutism, and in this connection he paid tribute to the students that went heart and soul into the revolutions of 1848 of those that fought and worked for Italian unity, and to the students that are now safe to be endeavoring to bring about freedom of speech and thought in Russia.

CANDIDATES AT ALTHEIMER.

The candidates spent a busy day yesterday meeting the voters of Altheimer and Sherrill. They spoke at Sherrill in the afternoon and at Altheimer at night. The usual speeches were made and no new features were developed. They returned at 2 o'clock last night.

AT HIS TRIAL AT HOPE ON THE CHARGE OF ASSAULTING JUDGE WOOD.

Judge Wood Was on Hand and Testimony in the Case Was Heard.

GOVERNOR WAS REPRESENTED

Hope, Jan. 16.—Mayor Black's court room was crowded with citizens yesterday and details of the fight which occurred here on December 18 last between Governor Jeff Davis and Judge Carroll D. Wood were heard anew. This was the day set for the trial of the two candidates for governor on charges of assault and battery and disturbing the peace.

Judge Wood was on hand promptly and ready for trial, but Governor Davis was not here. It will be remembered that immediately after the encounter on December 18 in the opera house, during the joint discussion, the two candidates were arrested on misdeemeanor, and each was placed under bond for his appearance before Mayor Black.

Governor Davis sent word that he could not be here, and he was represented by Hon. C. C. Hamby of Prescott. It was agreed that the trial proceed under these conditions. Hon. W. M. Green of Hope is Judge Wood's attorney. The trial is proceeding without a jury by agreement of all concerned. Eight witnesses were examined.

The trial aroused much local interest. A good-sized crowd appeared when the cases were called for trial. Judge Wood was accompanied by his brother, Judge James B. Wood, of Hot Springs.

As a precautionary measure upon convening court in order to take up the cases, Mayor Black made the announcement that every man in the court room would be searched. All those who objected to being searched, he said, could leave the room. One man left, and as it was evident that none of those remaining was armed the trial proceeded. The testimony taken today was substantially the same as that embraced in the numerous affidavits made by witnesses of the encounter, a slight conflict being noted on the point as to who was the aggressor. The hearing was not concluded today and will be resumed tomorrow morning. There are a large number of witnesses.

RESOLUTION ON GOV. DAVIS

Adopted by the Clark County Democratic Committee.

Arkadelphia, Jan. 16.—The Clark county Democratic central committee has set the primary for state officers on March 26 and for county officers on July 16.

The following resolution was offered by T. M. Ewing, Jr., and was adopted by the committee:

"Whereas, Jeff Davis, one of the candidates for governor, has addressed a communication to those members of this committee residing outside of Arkadelphia, in which he has reflected upon the chairman and members living at Arkadelphia, and has assumed to dictate or advise this committee as to when and how they should discharge their duty in conducting the Democratic primary elections in this county; now, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we resent and condemn such imputations and dictation as impertinent, unfounded and very unusual. In the management of our own county affairs, the principle of local self government is involved, and

when any candidate for a state office desires to submit his claims to the Democrats of this county for endorsement, he should be willing to abide the time and methods that may be adopted by its local Democratic committee, without reflecting upon the integrity of any of its members, all of whom are above reproach and are representative men of the highest standing in Clark county."

EXCITING INCIDENT

Several Shots Fired at Fleeing Negro by Constables.

A Saturday afternoon fight is not an extraordinary occurrence, but one proved to be such Saturday and for the time being stirred up great excitement. Mr. Chas. Pruden, of the Merchants' Transfer company, got into a difficulty with Sam Harris, a negro, and the two started to fight. The constable's office, with two idle deputies, was just across the way and Chas. Moore, a colored deputy, went over to get the negro. Mr. Sandefur Currie also started across the street. When the negro Harris saw the deputies coming he started to run, and while Moore and Currie started after him. Moore was the first to pull his gun and start to shoot, but Currie was a close second and after firing two or three shots apiece, they stopped the negro. Harris was not hit. He was taken to Justice Stewart's court and fined \$19.50 on charges of disturbing the peace and resisting arrest. The affair caused much excitement.

COTTON BELT IN CONTROL

Takes Charge of the Pine Bluff and Western.

The Cotton Belt railroad yesterday afternoon took charge of the Pine Bluff and Western road, and in the future the road will be managed by Cotton Belt officials as a part of the system. Tickets which have heretofore been purchased on the trains will now be sold at the local depot. The road runs from Pine Bluff to English. It cannot be learned at this time whether or not improvements will be made in the branch road service.

GIANT'S BONES DISCOVERED

Workmen Have Dug Up Parts of a Gigantic Skeleton.

Chicago, Jan. 16.—A dispatch to the Record-Herald from Winnemucca, Nev., says:

Workmen engaged in digging gravel here have uncovered at a depth of about twelve feet a number of bones that once were parts of the skeleton of a gigantic human being. Dr. Samuels pronounced them the bones of a man who must have been nearly eleven feet in height.

MORE BANANAS.

W. F. Smith, the "banana man," of some local fame, by reason of the "condemned fruit" injunction proceedings in the circuit court, arrived yesterday morning with two more cars of the fruit, which he proceeded to sell. No action has been taken against him this time.

POLICE COURT.

Judge W. L. Toney disposed of the following cases in the police court yesterday: Flora Brooks, colored, violating morality ordinance, \$5; Jean Hawley, drunk and down, \$3; J. M. Jones, drunk and down, \$5; Richard Givens, colored, drunk, \$5; John Dugan, Walter Thompson, Bill Peters, Will Dorsey, E. Richardson, vagrancy, \$5.

The Rhodes-Haverty Furniture company have put on a special sale for this week in sideboards and extension tables. For further particulars see their advertisement and also their show window.

Miss Mollie Nance of Washington City is visiting Mrs. M. Crocker.

TO AID OF JONES

EXCEPT CLARK AND MACON, AR-KANSAS DELEGATION FOR HIM.

Addresses a Letter to the President Urging Ex-Senator Jones' Appointment.

GIVE HIM HIGH ENDORSEMENT

Washington, Jan. 16.—Since the printed report that Senator Clarke of Arkansas is working against the appointment of ex-Senator Jones as a member of the canal commission, friends of Mr. Jones in the Arkansas congressional delegation are making renewed efforts in his behalf.

The following members of the Arkansas delegation have addressed a letter to the president, urging Mr. Jones' appointment. Senator Berry, Representatives Dismore, Brundidge, Little, Reid, Robinson and Wallace. The only members not signing the letter are Senator Clarke and Representative Macon.

The letter states that the signers understand that the president wishes to appoint a representative southern Democrat on the commission and in view of this they endorse Senator Jones for his great ability, his high character and his eminent fitness for the position.

MAY BE WAR OF NATIONS.

Fighting Would Not Be Limited to Japan and Russia.

New York, Jan. 16.—Cabling from St. Petersburg, the correspondent of the Herald quoted an unnamed prominent diplomat as saying:

"Let all those who are adding fuel to the fire, which means war, remember that no possible power can limit that war to Japan and Russia. Its extension to other countries is sure, with results too terrible to consider."

In the long corridor of the foreign office, where officials are won't to walk about arm in arm, there were signs of much animation, after the receipt of Japan's reply. There was much loud talk and a general air of ill-suppressed excitement the same which prevailed in many other influential quarters. Also the general opinion appears to be that matters political have reached a highly critical point.

Russia is undoubtedly anxious to do all possible, but there is a unanimous feeling that she cannot accept any proposition from Japan which is damaging to her amour propre. The situation may, in fact be summed up as follows: Japan is dissatisfied with the Russian note, and returns it for amendment. According to the declaration of a high official of the foreign office when the last Russian reply was sent to Japan, Russia had conceded all she possibly can, and while willing to grant small concessions to Japan in Korea she refuses to discuss the question of Manchuria.

Japan insists in pushing the Manchurian open-door question as a sine qua non, and also with equal insistence, urging that she should have assurances of the integrity of Korea and China, to which Russia's consent is impossible.

Russia will reply in a similar tone and will lay her reasons before the powers justifying her attitude.

FENCIBLES BALL POSTPONED

On account of the unusual social rush for next week the committee in charge of the Jefferson Fencibles dance has decided to postpone it until Thursday, January 28. By that time it is hoped that the Fencibles will be in their new armor.